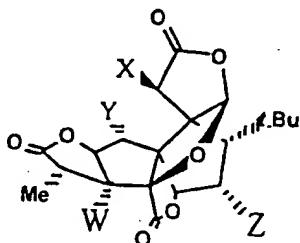


IN THE CLAIMS:

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Claim 2 (amended) The method of claim 11, wherein the Ginkgo biloba extract is an extract comprising 20 to 30% of flavoneglycosides, 2.5 to 4.5% of ginkgolides A, B, C and J, 2 to 4% of bilobalide, less than 10% of proanthocyanidines and less than 10 ppm of alkylphenol compounds.

Claim 3 (amended) The method of claim 11 wherein the ginkgo biloba extract is an extract comprising 5.5 to 8% of ginkgolides A, B, C and J, 40 to 60% of flavoneglycosides and 5 to 7% of bilobalide.

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Claim 6 (amended) The method of claim 11 wherein the extract contains a compound of the formula



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in which W, X, Y and Z independently represent the H, OH, linear or branched alkoxy, a mono- or a disaccharide, or one of their derivatives or analogues, it being understood that at least one of W, X, Y or Z is a mono- or disaccharide.

Claim 7 (amended) The method of claim 6, wherein:

- either W is an OH or a mono- or disaccharide, Y is H and Z

represents H;

- or W is OH or a mono- or disaccharide, Y is OH or a mono- or disaccharide and Z is OH;

- or W is OH or a mono- or disaccharide, Y is OH or a mono- or disaccharide and Z is OH or a mono- or disaccharide;

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- or W is OH or a mono- or disaccharide, Y is H and Z is OH or a mono- or disaccharide;

- or W is OH or a mono- or disaccharide, and Z is OH or a mono- or disaccharide;

- or W is OH or a mono- or disaccharide, Y is a linear or branched alkoxy and Z is H;

it being understood that at least one of W, X, Y or Z is a mono- or disaccharide.

Claim 8 (amended) The method of claim 6 wherein:

- either W is OH or a mono- or disaccharide, Y is H and Z is H;

- or W is OH or a mono- or disaccharide, Y is OH or a mono- or disaccharide and Z is H;

- or W is OH or a mono- or disaccharide, Y is a linear or branched alkoxy radical and Z is H;

it being understood that at least one of W, X, Y or Z is OH or a mono- or disaccharide.

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Claim 10 (amended) The method of claim 13 wherein the ginkgolide is ginkgolide A or ginkgolide B.

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Claim 12 (amended) The method of claim 11 wherein the